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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
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Inventors: KRZYZANOWSKI *et al.*  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
2. One (1) return postcard.

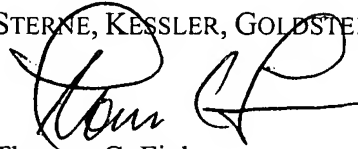
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In reply to the Office Action dated November 17, 2005, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

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